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Notes on the Herpetology of Guam, Marianas Islands

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While stationed on Guam, Marianas Islands, with the U. S. Air Force, I had an opportunity to observe and collect amphibians and reptiles between August 25th and September 30, 1945. My observations and notes tend to supplement the reports of Stohler and Cooling (1945) and of Cagle (1946 a, b).

***Bufo marinus*(Linnaeus).**

This toad was very much in evidence in the temporary rain-water pools at the following localities: Harmon Field, Northwest Field, 20th A. F. Headquarters, and in the vicinity of Agana Beach. It was never seen in the pools located on the sandy areas of the beach. A *few* individuals were collected from under rocks and other debris at the various localities. Many individuals were found each morning along the roads where they had been "steam-rolled" during the night by passing military vehicles. A series of 25 specimens collected on the island have been deposited in the University of Michigan Museum of Zoology. Stohler and Cooling (1945, p. 678) record this toad from Tinian. The present records indicate that *Bufo marinus*, although introduced to the island (Loveridge, 1945, p. 218), may now probably be found on all islands of the chain.

***Emoia werneri* Vogt.**

Nine of these small lizards were collected at Harmon Field and at 20th A. F. Headquarters. In life, the blue tail of this lizard is very conspicuous as it moves about in the shrubs which it seems to prefer as a habitat. It was never seen inside any barracks, although occasionally it would crawl up the screen of the windows on the outside. Four of the specimens have been deposited in the collection of the University of Illinois, and the remainder in the collection of Loyola University. I wish to thank Dr. Hobart M. Smith for the identification of these specimens.

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Typhlops braminus (Daudin).

Eight specimens of this small snake were collected on Guam. All specimens were taken from under stones or in partially covered rock-piles. Five were collected at 20th A. F. Headquarters; two on Harmon Field; and one at Northwest Field. Natives stated that it was common in certain localities, although no chance was afforded to visit these areas. Cagle (1946 b, p. 101) reports this snake from Saipan, Agrihan (Agrigan ?), and Anatahan Islands, so that it may be expected to occur throughout the island chain. The specimens have been deposited in the collection of Loyola University.

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